

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. An isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising at least 24 contiguous bases of nucleotide sequence first disclosed
5 in the NHP sequence described in SEQ ID NO: 3.

2. An isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising a nucleotide sequence that:

- 10 (a) encodes the amino acid sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 4; and
(b) hybridizes under stringent conditions to the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO: 3 or the complement thereof.

15 3. An isolated nucleic acid molecule according to Claim 1 wherein said nucleotide sequence is present in cDNA.

4. An isolated nucleic acid molecule encoding the amino acid sequence presented in SEQ ID NO:2.
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5. An isolated nucleic acid molecule encoding the amino acid sequence presented in SEQ ID NO:6.